

RESOLUTION NO. 20181018-041

WHEREAS, St. David's Foundation and Central Health sponsored a class at the University of Texas, Lyndon B. Johnson (LBJ) School of Public Affairs, led by Professor Jacqueline Angel, to explore opportunities and best practices in elder care; and

WHEREAS, through its research, the LBJ School team developed a proposal to create a community clinic with comprehensive services for seniors and a children's day care center to create a multigenerational community center; and

WHEREAS, the City's Commission on Seniors Recommendation 20171011-4D supports the redevelopment of the adjacent Rebekah Baines Johnson (RBJ) residential campus owned by the nonprofit Austin Geriatric Center (AGC) into a mixed-use development with affordable apartments for seniors and recommends that the City study the feasibility of creating the multigenerational center at the City-owned RBJ Health Center; and

WHEREAS, the Recommendation proposes to renovate space in the City-owned RBJ Health Center to house a medical clinic for seniors (6,000 sf), an adult day center (1,675 sf), wrap-around services for elderly (1,200 sf), and a child day-care center (2,825 sf); and

WHEREAS, the LBJ School team has operational funding commitments from Meals on Wheels to provide adult day programs and support from Family Eldercare, as well as

their financial supporters, the Carl C. Anderson Sr. and Marie Jo Anderson Charitable Foundation, and St. David's Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Austin's 'silver tsunami' poses unique challenges and opportunities across the City portfolio to meet the needs of the rising number of elderly, and the LBJ School proposal addresses a number of these critical issues; and

WHEREAS, the City has not had a thorough consideration of the best use of the City-owned RBJ Health Center; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

The City Council directs the City Manager to:

- review the analysis completed to date and assess the need for an adult day center with other integrated community components on City-owned facilities, such as at the RBJ Public Health Center as proposed by the LBJ school team. This review should be done in conjunction with the LBJ school team, the Commission on Seniors, and other experts on senior services, such as the Dell Medical School, as appropriate;
- determine the feasibility of developing City-owned facilities for such purposes, including the RBJ Public Health Center;
- recommend a process for developing an adult day center at the City-owned RBJ Public Health Center, or other potential City-owned facilities, should the City Council decide to provide that direction in the future; and

- report back to City Council with recommendations no later than March 1, 2019.

ADOPTED: October 18, 2018

ATTEST:



Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk